Proclamation

WHEREAS,	despite advances in medical technology and research, men continue to live an average of five years less than women, with Native American and African-American men having the lowest life expectancy; and
WHEREAS,	COVID-19 variants continue to spread across the country, with the Centers for Disease Control reporting that males are more likely to die from this pandemic; and
WHEREAS,	encouraging safe behaviors, including social distancing, wearing masks, and being vaccinated will help stop the spread of COVID-19; and
WHEREAS,	educating the public and health care providers about the importance of a healthy lifestyle and early detection of male health problems will result in reducing rates of mortality from disease; and
WHEREAS,	men who are educated about the value of preventative health can play in prolonging their lifespan and their role as productive family members will be more likely to participate in health screenings; and
WHEREAS,	fathers who maintain a healthy lifestyle are role models for their children and have happier, healthier children; and
WHEREAS,	Men's Health Network worked with Congress to develop a national men's health awareness period as a special campaign to help educate men, boys and their families about the importance of positive health attitudes and preventative health practices; and
WHEREAS,	the Men's Health Month web site has been established at www.MensHealthMonth.org and features resources about awareness and activities, including Wear Blue for Men's Health; and
WHEREAS,	Vancouver Men's Health Month will focus on a broad range of men's health issues, including heart disease, mental health, diabetes, and prostate, testicular and colon cancer; and
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Anne McEnerny-Ogle, Mayor of Vancouver, Washington, do hereby proclaim	

"Men's Health Week"

in the City of Vancouver and encourage all citizens to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups.



June 2022, as

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Vancouver to be affixed this 1st day of June, 2022.

ANNE McENERNY-OGLE, MAYOR